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Drowning of Charles Alfred Bliss at | His Expedition Went to the Arctic Ocean City.

BODY RECOVERED WITHIN AN HOUR EXTRACTS FROM HIS LAST LETTER

at 4 O'clock P.M.

Charles Alfred Bliss, cashler of the New England Mutual Life Insurance Company of this city, and son of Mr. Alfred G. Bliss, chief clerk of the bureau of internal revenue, Treasury Department, was drowned at Ocean City, Md., shortly after noon yesterday. Mr. Bliss had gone to Ocean City last Saturday to stay two weeks. He went in company with Dr. W. M. Newell, and since going on their vacation the two have been together almost constantly.

Yesterday Mr. Bliss was out with a number of bathers when he was caught in an eddy and carried out a considerable distance. The current was very strong, and those who saw his danger and heard his cries for help were unable to render assistance. While Mr. Bliss was in peril several other bathers became exhausted and called for help, among them being Misses Alice and Bessie Hunting, Miss Geeting of Baltimore and Dr. Wm. M. Newell of this city. The life-saving crew seeing the danger of Mr. Bilss made ready to go to his relief, and while doing so the other bathers got beyond their depth.

Bravery of Sidney Willson.

While this preparation was being made Mr. Sidney Willson of Snow Hill, a youth of fifteen years, boldly rushed into the breakers, swam to Miss Bessie Hunting and succeeded in bringing her ashore. Young Willson's efforts and cries attracted the attention of the crowd to Miss Alice Hunting, and Rev. Francis Y. Nichols of Princeton plunged to her rescue. He caught at her as she was going down the last time, but missed her. He then dived and held her up until Mr. Charles R. Gantz of Baltimore and Mr. Strauss went to his assist-ance. They all three managed to get ashore with the young lady. It took some time to resuscitate Miss Alice Hunting. The Misses Hunting were rescued in front of Mount Pleasant Cottage. In the meantime Pr. W. M. Newell had

Mount Pleasant Cottage.

In the meantime Pr. W. M. Newell had become exhausted about 100 yards below, in front of the life-saving station, near where young Bliss had gone down. Mr. Raleigh DeShields, son of Major DeShields of the Atlantic Hotel, swam to Dr. Newell, and, though merely a boy, held him up till young Sid Willson went to help him, and they both brought the doctor safely ashere, with the assistance of the life-boat, which had just been launched. Mr. Raleigh DeShields also pulled Miss Geeting out of the surf almost exhausted.

The lifeboat started to look for the body of Mr. Bliss, but as the crew were passing the first breaker Bob Purnell of Ocean City and Charles Gantz of Baltimore saw the body, and, plunging from the boat, brought it to the surface. The body had been in the water about an hour, and all efforts at resuscitation by four doctors present proved in vain. It was taken to one of the rooms of the life-saving station, where it was embalmed by Undertaker J. E. Wise of Berlin.

Young Bliss Highly Esteemed.

Young Bliss Highly Esteemed. Mr. Bliss was twenty-seven years of age,

a graduate of the Washington High School and was highly esteemed in this city. He lived with his parents at 923 East Capitol street. Only a couple of days ago his parents received a letter from him, in which he said he had that day sailed over the spot where the Birney boys were drowned recently. He was a good swim-

mer. Mr. A. G. Bliss, father of the drowned man, today said it appeared strange that the life-saving service at Ocean City was so long in rendering assistance. It did not appear to him that the patrol of the beach at Ocean City was satisfactory, otherwise he did not this control of the beach at Ocean City was satisfactory, otherwise he did not this control of the beach at Ocean City was satisfactory, otherwise he did not this control of the control of the beach at Ocean City was satisfactory, otherwise he did not this control of the contro erwise he did not think an hour would have been consumed in the rescue of his

Funeral Tomorrow.

Mr. Bliss was not able to reach Ocean City until after the body of his son could be started on the journey to this city, and for that reason did not go there last evening, as he first intended to do. The remains are expected to arrive here at 3:45 this afternoon. The funeral will probably take place at 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon and will be private. The interment will be made in the Congressional cemetery.

Statement of Miss Fenwick.

Miss Fenwick of 1204 K street, who was at Ocean City at the time and who has returned to Washington, said today to a Star reporter that the circumstances surroundng the drowning of young Bliss were sad. but at the same time the heroic qualities of the young man were brought out. It seems he noticed the danger of a party, which was farther from shore than he

which was farther from shore than he was, and gave the alarm.

Two young men responded—Sid Wilson and Roy de Shields. They were both strong swimmers, and when they reached Bliss he said to them, "I am all right; go and help the others—they need you more than I do."

So his would-be rescuers went on to the assistance of the others. Sid Wilson was confident he saw young Bliss go out of the water, but afterward found he was mistaken. The fact is Bliss was not seen again until his lifely again until his lifeless body was brought

from the ocean.

There was, of course, a good deal of excitement over the rescue of the others, as was difficult to launch the lifeboat. It was supposed for some time that Bilss was somewhere on shore, and therefore a search party was not sent out as soon as would have been the case under other circum

BRIGHTWOOD RAILROAD TRACKS. Authoriative Statement Made as Their Location.

Considerable speculation is being indulged in by those persons using the Brightwood avenue and 7th street roads for driving and hauling purposes as to the location of the tracks of the Brightwood railway, the reconstruction of which is now in progress. Fear is expressed that the relocation of the tracks will seriously interfere with the use of the roadway.

It is explained by the engineer department of the District government that from Florida avenue to where the Metropolitan railroad runs its cars into its siding Brightvood avenue is about fifty-one feet wide from curb to curb, there being sixteen and two-tenths feet between the tracks on the west side of the street and twenty feet on the east side. This position will, it is said, be maintained by the new tracks. From Pomeroy street to the Rock Creek Church road the new tracks will be placed in the center of the street. From Rock Creek Church road to the District line they will be located in the center of a proposed from curb to curb, there being sixteen and Creek Church road to the District line they will be located in the center of a proposed ninety-foot roadway, which means that they will be nearly in the center of the present roadway. The present roadway from the Rock Creek Church road to the District line, it is stated, is of an average width of about sixty-six feet wide, varying from fifty-seven to sixty-six feet between from fifty-seven to sixty-six feet between fences. The new double tracks of the railway will occupy about eighteen feet, or about three feet more than they do at present. The trolley poles will be pleased present. The trolley poles will be placed between the tracks, and thus the unoccupied part of the existing roadway twill run from thirty-nine to forty-three feet, although from the Rock Creek Church road to the District line the tracks will be a little neaver the west side of the though from the Rock to the District line the tracks will be a little nearer the west side of the roadway. From the Rock Creek Church road to Shepherd road the land for widening the thoroughfare to ninety feet has been accounted on the east side, and also from the Rock Creek Church road to Howard avenue on the east side, or about from Petworth to Brightwood Park. This acquired land is unimproved, but it is thought that, after the new tracks have been laid, the improvements can be made out of funds already on hand

There has been a slight fall of rain in various parts of India during the last two days.

already on hand.

a Year Ago.

Funeral Will Probably Be Tomorrow | Steamer Capalla Gone to His Rescue or for News.

PERIL OF OTHER BATHERS WILD, BLEAK NORTHLAND

Just a year has passed since the steamer Frithiof sailed away from Cape Tegetthoff, latitude 80°, where they had safely landed Wellman, the arctic explorer, and

his party of eight brave fellows. The Capalla, from Goteborg, Sweden, stopped at Vardo, on the northeast coast of Norway, July 10, from which point she was going to Franz Joseph Land to bring back the Wellman expedition, or news

Mr. Wellman, in his delightfully graphic style, describes the scene of their landing and the leaving of the ship in a letter to Mrs. Wellman, which the Frithjof brought back last September:

Cape Tegetthoff is wild and bleak. A mountainous headland, snow covered and mist enshrouded, terminates in a series of basalt spires rising from 200 to 800 feet above the sea. The land is bare of vegetation, except for mosses which carpet the hillsides, and arctic poppies, which are in

every direction.

About the spires and across the plateau the wind sweeps violently. Only once before in all time has the cheerless spot been

visited.

Here we are to set up our home. Upor the second plateau, about 100 feet from the water, we have begun the erection of a house. It will not be a mansion. It will not even be a good house, as arctic houses go but we cannot afford to waste much time in its construction, for we do not expect to live in it. So far as we are now able to see, it will serve only as a depot.

It is our purpose to place in it our reserve supplies, and to make it as secure as possible against the ravages of bears, and then

to abandon it for the winter, or perhaps forever.

But it will be a comfort to know in case of disaster or the necessity of a second wintering in the arctics, that we have some

sort of a house to return to.

In spite of all temptation to settle down here and make ourselves as comfortable as possible for the winter, we have determined to adhere to the original plan of expedition We propose to go north and winter wherever we can or must, and in the best fashion circumstances will permit of. In other words, we are going to burrow in the ground, to hibernate like so many polar

Hope the Guiding Star.

How far north we shall be able to get we do not know. In this region man proposes and nature disposes. But we believe everything comes to him who works, and we shall push on in a week with our dogs and loads. If we make three miles a day we shall do well, for it must be remembered hat we are trying to carry to our winter camp, 120 geographical miles north, the supplies which are usually taken to sledging headquarters by a ship. But we have all the remainder of the summer and early autumn to do it in before dark-ness and the cold come. The obstacles in our way will have to be very great if we

lo not succeed.

This forenoon it was impossible to send things ashore, as the waves were running high in the strait; but this afternoon, amid many yelpings and barks of dismay or delight, the dogs were taken ashore and tied up to a big rock. Material for house building is also being rout of and a meltitude. ing is also being put off, and a small stove and coal. In a day or two we shall have quite a settlement here in the most north-erly point in the world that we know anything about. We mean to take care not to

northern world is bathed in the most bril liant of sunlight glistening upon sea and leebergs and glaciers and illuminating the darkest clefts of rugged mountains. of us have ever seen anything more beau-tiful than the immense glacier of McKlintock, six or eight miles westward. It rises, a perfect sheen of glistening ice, studded with billions of particles of refracting crystals to a height of some 2,000 feet, and the two eminences appear, on bald and rugged and black as if with mighty effort it had shaken itself loos from the grip of ice king, and the other lifting itself toward the sky, as white as marble, erect and majestic but still with the mantle of frost clinging to all its garments. In the foreground we have the bold cliffs of Cape Tegetthoff. At its base our pack of eighty-three Siberian dogs raisng a continuous series of echoes, each of which is repeated many times, serving, to-gether with the incessant chatter of birds, to raise a strange din in this silent world. To the northeast Cape Frankfurt rises from the snow as a black landmark of our route toward the region north, the land of promise for our expedition. All day we have been busy getting stores ashore and fixing up the house, where our men now sleep to keep watch over the dogs.

No Faint Heart There.

After dinner our Norwegian members were invited to a conference. They were told that we Americans were well satisfied with all of them; they were informed of our plan of expedition, which involves a most arduous campaign and a wintering amid great discomfort. Then they were told if any one among them was dissatisfied and wished to return with the ship now was the accepted time. To a man they laughed at the idea of returning.

Your true Norwegian likes nothing better than a share bettle with the contract. ter than a sharp battle with the angry ferces of nature in the arctics. The sharper it is the better he is pleased. Tomorrow the Frithjoff turns toward home and we begin preparing our equipment for the march north."

Left to Themselves.

The last seen of Wellman and his eight brave companions they were waving goodbyes to the captain of Frithjoff as she steamed away leaving them to their fate. What that fate has been we may know this fall upon the return of the steamer Capalla, which was chartered by Mr. Wellman's family to go north to his assistance.

The Capalla stopped at Vardo early in July to take on a supply of coal; therefron

she started for Franz Joseph Land carrying instruction where to look for the expedition, but the probabilities were they would be at Cape Flora.

If the expedition was able to carry out
the proposed plan of reaching a point 120
miles beyond Cape Tegetthoff before the

darkness of winter overtook them, an early start was assured for this spring and a great deal could be accomplished between the middle of February and August.

The Dog Express. Mr. Wellman's plans for distributing the loads among a great number of dogs was considered a very good one by arctic experts and likely to make rapid traveling posssible, as the returning over the same

track to bring up supplies was thereby ob-

The expedition was carefully planned in every detail for a two years' stay in the field, so if the Capalla fails to bring back the party no anxiety will be felt by the families of its members. Mrs. Wellman has the assurance of the Italian prince who left Norway in June to go to Franz Joseph Land to render Mr. Wellman any assistance in his power should he run across him this summ

he run across him this summer.

It is not thought possible for Capalla to return until late in September, as news from Norway reports this an unusually bad ice year, which will test the strength of the little seal-fishing steamer, though built, as she is, for forcing the ice. WHEN YOU RIDE YOUR WHEEL WINCEN I WE MINICATE TOWN WINCEL
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Director of the Mint Roberts Talks on the Subject.

It Will Not Cause Disturbance in Any of the Great Money Centers.

Mr. Roberts, the director of the mint

speaking of the change in the Indian cur-"The report of the committee does little more than reaffirm and declare the permanency of the policy adopted in 1893, wher the mints were closed to the free coinage of silver. The mints were closed originally because the decline in silver had become so great as to embarrass the Indian government, which received its revenues in silver and had to make a large share of its disbursements in gold. Hard times followed in India, attributed by those who criticised the government to the closing of the mints but attributed by the government to the famine and other causes. There was considerable agitation in favor of reopening the mints, and the business world was in no little uncertainty about the future. It was considered highly desirable that the government's future policy should be defi-nitely assured, and accordingly something over a year ago a committee of eleven was appointed by the Indian office in London to investigate the whole subject. The com-mittee has published two volumes of testi-mony, and now gives its own conclusions was considered highly desirable that the mony, and now gives its own conclusions

hould not be reopened to silver. The Committee's Conclusions.

unanimous in finding that the mints

"The committee pronounces the efforts of the government to hold the value of the rupee at 16 pence a success, and holds the sale of council bills at that figure to be proof that India already has the gold standard. It hesitates, however, to recommend the final step, viz. That the Indian government shall give gold in exchange for the silver rupees current. They say that, in their opinion, it is not necessary for the government to bind itself to do this.

"The government has no gold reserve, nor has it the means to obtain a stock of gold at once. It could only be done by the issue of bonds, or in installments through taxation, and it is not practicable to increase

tion, and it is not practicable to increase the taxes of India to any considerable de gree. The committee concludes that the acquirement of a reserve may be left to the future, and that the present silver currency of India may be maintained at a fixed value to gold by supplying such quantities of gold as are needed for foreign remittances. That, they say, they 'regard as the principal use of a gold reserve. In fact, that is precisely the service performed by the gold reserve of the United States. The Indian reserve of the United States. The Indian committee refers to the examples of the United States. It is recommended that the Indian mints be opened to the unrestricted coinage of gold, and that the British sovereign be made a legal tender, upon the theory that gold will flow in as more money is needed, and that eventually a consider. theory that gold will flow in as more money is needed, and that eventually a consider-able share of the currency will thus come to be of gold. "The significance of the re-port is in the determination not to reopen the mints. The policy of India may now be presumed to be settled."

No Danger of Disturbance. Being asked if there was any reason to expect such a movement of gold to India as might disturb money markets in the

GOLD STANDARD IN INDIA world's centers, Mr. Roberts replied: "There is not. India cannot draw any more than she can pay for, and she is not rich enough, or likely to develop exports fast enough, to make her demands serious. She has taken nine or ten million dollars' worth of Australian gold this year. She can't possibly take a sum that will exceed the increase of this year's gold production over last.' "Does the final adoption of the gold standard by India have any bearing upon our foreign trade?" he was asked, and said

in reply: "It puts the wheat producers of the two countries on a common monetary level, and disposes of the old argument that the Indian farmer has an advantage over the American farmer because he received his pay in a falling currency. Whatever intricacies there once were in the sub-ject have been cleared up, for the Indian farmer, like the American farmer, is now paid by the gold standard. The alleged advantage was an illusory one, for he only held it while the currency continued to fail, and then only as he could work it off on some uninformed or helpless fellow country. tryman at a former value. Furthermore, in the nature of things a currency must stop falling some time, when it becomes worth-

less, if not sooner. "This committee agrees with the Indian government that the interests of that country as a whole demanded that the depreciation of its money should cease, and that its financial system should be linked to that of the other important nations of the world.

FOREIGN CONSULS AT MANILA.

Some Conjecture as to Their Action on Aguinaldo's Appeal.

The course which the foreign consuls at Manila will pursue in connection with Aguinaldo's communication is a matter of some conjecture among officials here. At the State Department there is no disposition to limit the consuls in forwarding the appeal to their respective governments. As a rule it is quite unusual for consuls holding exequaturs from a friendly govern-ment, and having official relations with it, to carry on communication with an insur-rectionary leader. But it is appreciated that in this case the consuls are the innocent victims of Aguinaldo's letter writing. As military authority is supreme in the Philippines, any questions arising as to the

course of the consuls would probably be referred to General Otis, but there is no intimation here that he has been advised of the address, or that he will have any objections to its transmission by the consuls. It tions to its transmission by the consuls. It is rather expected, however, that the con-suls will take occasion to advise with the military authorities as to the proprieties of the situation before taking final action. Pension of \$72 Per Month.

A pension of \$72 per month has been granted Horace N. Tolson of the District of Columbia on account of the Spanish war. Mr. Tolson resides at 1013 P street northwest, although at the present time, and for west, although at the present time, and for some months, he has been an inmate of Providence Hospital. He was a private in Company E of the 2d Arkansas Volunteer Infantry. At the camp at Chickamauga he contracted dysentery and is now almost entirely disabled.

Controller Tracewell of the treasury declines to allow a claim for \$750 to be paid to J. Harrisor Johnson for repairs to No. 1362 B street southwest. The building is owned by Mr. Johnson, but is leased by the Department of Agriculture as a laboratory for the bureau of animal industry at \$1,200 per year. Mr. Tracewell decides that there is nothing in the act authorizing the mak-

Declines to Allow Repairs.

MEXICO IS INTERESTED.

Our Sister Republic Will Be Fully Represented at Exposition Congress. Correspondence of The Evening Star.

PHILADELPHIA, August 8, 1899. If President Diaz of Mexico accepts the invitation of the management of the national export exposition to be present at the opening of the international commercial congress, October 10, when, it is believed, President McKinley will preside, he will find many of his prominent countrymen here to greet him. President Diaz will be at Chicago October 9, and, of course, will be accompanied by a large party, including several members of his cabinet, and most of his staff in full uniform.

Arriving in Philadelphia, he will find the

governors of half a dozen Mexican states, delegates from cities and trades bodies of the republic and hundreds of the most suc-cessful business men of his country. It would seem that only within the past fortnight has our sister republic fully fortnight has our sister republic fully awakened to a realization of the impor-tance to her of the exposition and congress. The management of these projects during the last few days has been pleased and surprised by the news received from all parts of Mexico, and the prominence of the men accepting the invitation to be present indi-cates that the political, industrial and commercial interests of Mexico will have ful

representation.

Don Armo Gonzales, formerly minister of finance, is expected to make an address upon the trade relations of the two coun-tries, and other eminent orators are expected to take part in the international de-bates.

An official envoy from Mexico will be in

attendance, but has not yet been named by the Mexican government. The state of Toluca has named its governor, Senor Don J.
V. Villado, as its official envoy. Gov. Villado will be accompanied by members of his staff and a delegation of the foremost business men of the commonwealth. Toluca is one of the important mining states of the Mexican republic, and the appointment of its governor is viewed by the expectation. of its governor is viewed by the exposition management as a good omen to the mining machinery interests which will have exhibits at the big show.

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The governor of the federal district of the City of Mexico has written, under date of July 29, that he will be pleased to attend the exposition and congress, if duties at the time do not forbid.

Senor Don Francis Xavier Rodriguez, governor of the state of Hidalgo, one of the leading commercial states of the federation, will be present and assist in the reception to Presidents McKinley and Diaz. From the letter to Gov. Rodriguez it is almost certain that Gen. Diaz hopes to be present.

Minister J. F. Mena of the department of Minister J. F. Mena of the department of communication and public works writes that he will attend the congress in the event that President Diaz does.

Late mail advices bring the information that, in addition to the many representatives of leading firms who will attend, the following trades bodies will be represented by from one to five delegates each: Camara de Comercio at Guadalajara, Confederacion Mercantil de la Republica Mexico at Mexico. Lonja Agricola Mercantil at Toluca, Camara de Comercio at Vera Cruz.

Machine Guns for Otis. The War Department is making every

effort to comply with General Otis' recen request for a number of machine guns in order that they shall reach him in time for the campaign expected to open with the dry season. The department has decided not to send to the Philippines the Sims-Dudley guns, but will confine the selection to the types now in use in the army.

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